



## THE UNINSURED POPULATION IN CONNECTICUT AND NEW ENGLAND STATES, 2013-2015

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### ISSUE

Summarize the U.S. Census Bureau's [\*Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015\*](#) report for New England states and explain the percentage and number of people without health insurance.

### SUMMARY

The U.S. Census Bureau collects information on the percentage and number of people in each state without health insurance coverage (called the uninsured rate and uninsured population, respectively).

(The Bureau does not measure health insurance coverage for a state's entire population. Instead, the Bureau uses the civilian noninstitutionalized population, which generally excludes individuals living on military bases and those in prison or other institutions.)

Among New England states in 2015, Massachusetts had the lowest uninsured rate, at 2.8%, and Maine had the highest, at 8.4%. Massachusetts had the lowest uninsured rate in each year the report covers. For each New England state, the uninsured rate and uninsured population decreased from 2013 to 2015.

Connecticut had the 4<sup>th</sup> lowest uninsured rate in New England in 2015. Connecticut's uninsured rate has fallen from 9.4% in 2013 to 6.0% in 2015, a decline representing approximately 122,000 people.

### NEW ENGLAND UNINSURED RATE AND UNINSURED POPULATION

Table 1 shows the percentage of people in each New England state without health insurance.

**Table 1: Percentage of Uninsured Population in New England States, 2013-2015**

<b>State</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Connecticut	9.4	6.9	6.0
Maine	11.2	10.1	8.4
Massachusetts	3.7	3.3	2.8
New Hampshire	10.7	9.2	6.3
Rhode Island	11.6	7.4	5.7
Vermont	7.2	5.0	3.8

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

Table 2 shows the number of people in each New England state without health insurance.

**Table 2: Number of Uninsured in New England States, 2013-2015, in thousands**

<b>State</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Connecticut	333	245	211
Maine	147	134	111
Massachusetts	247	219	189
New Hampshire	140	120	83
Rhode Island	120	77	59
Vermont	45	31	24

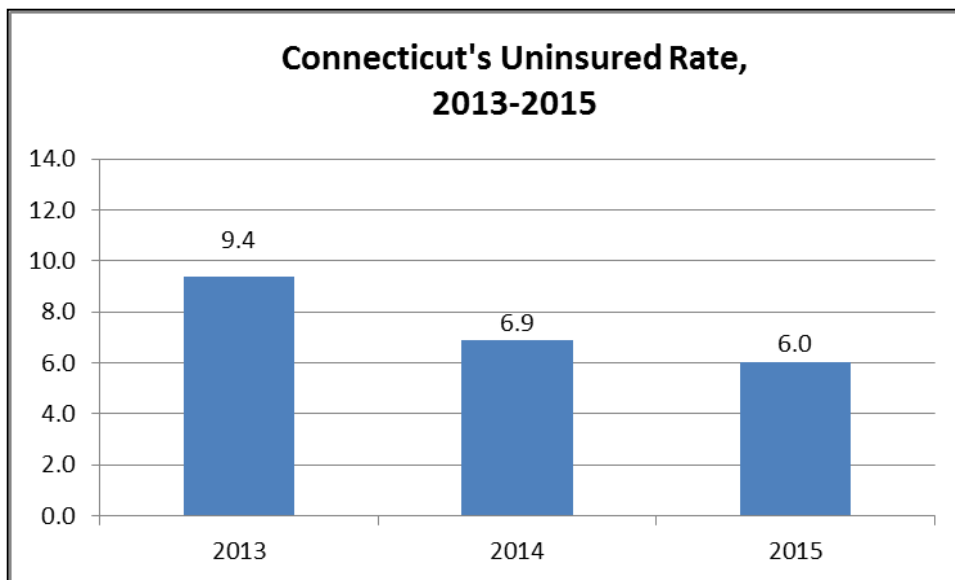
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## NEW ENGLAND STATES

Figures 1-12 show the uninsured rate and the uninsured population, in thousands, for each New England state from 2013-2015.

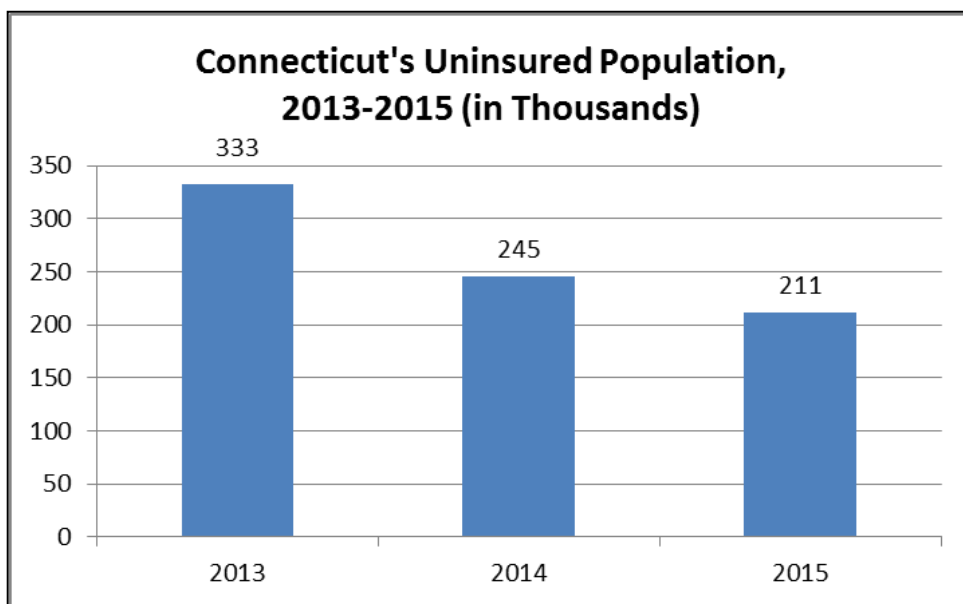
### Connecticut

Figure 1: Connecticut Uninsured Rate, 2013-2015 (in thousands)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

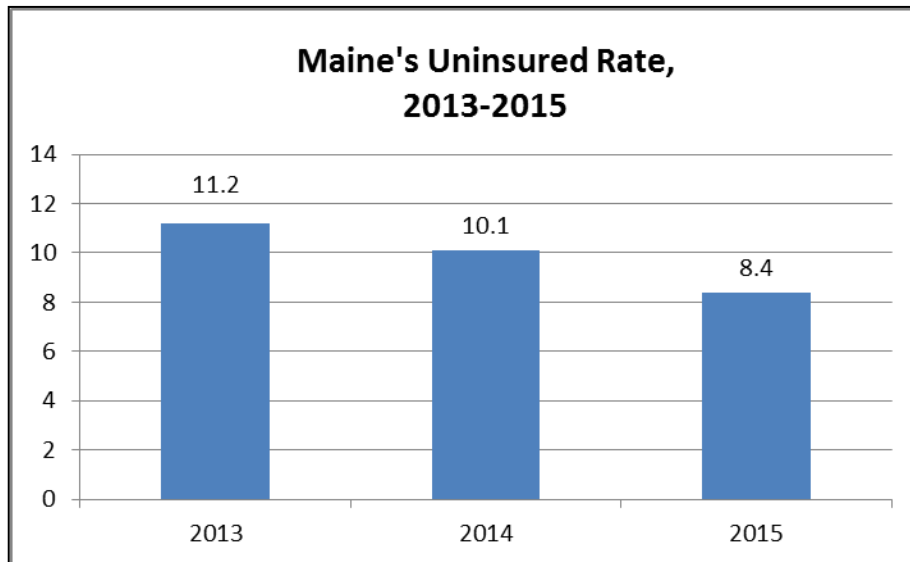
Figure 2: Connecticut Uninsured Population, 2013-2015 (in thousands)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

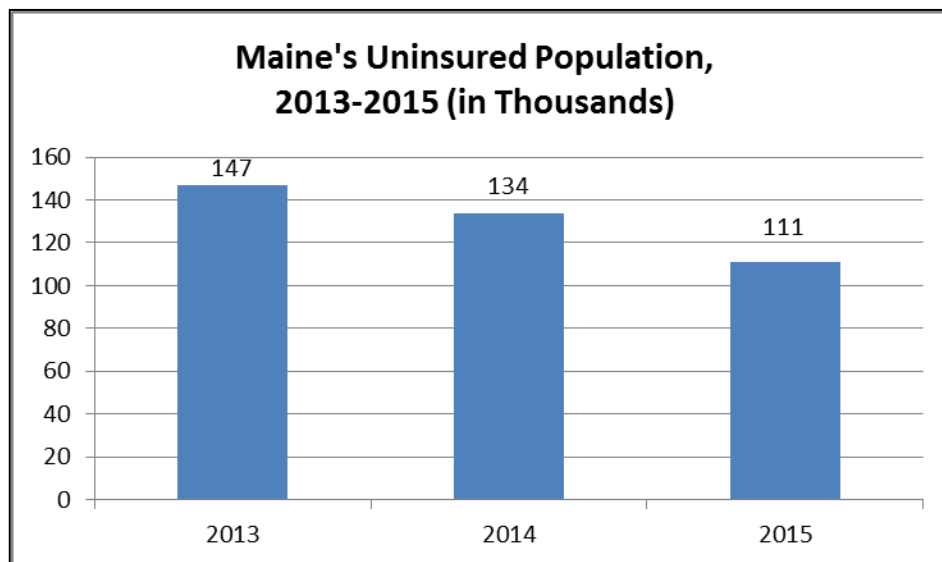
## Maine

Figure 3: Maine Uninsured Rate, 2013-2015 (in thousands)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

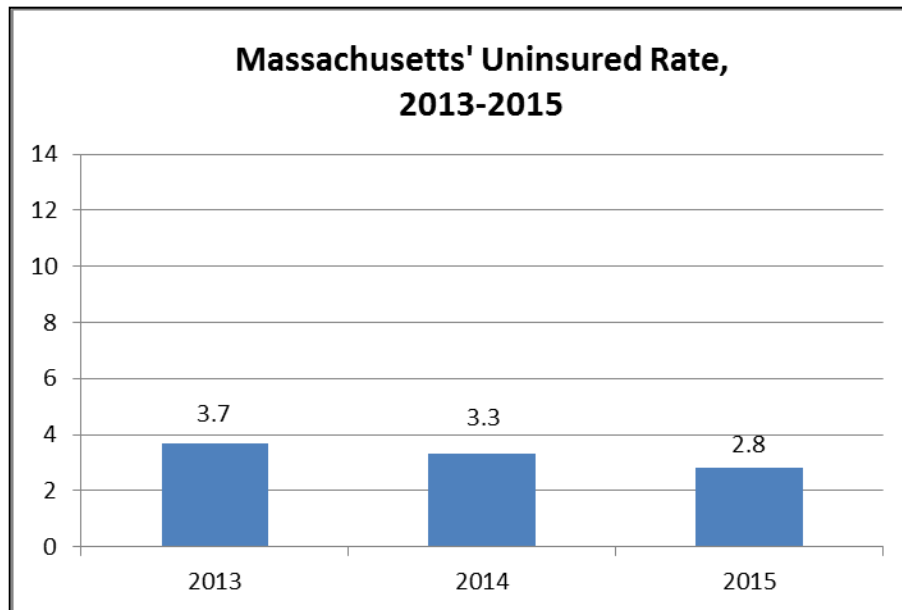
Figure 4: Maine Uninsured Population, 2013-2015 (in thousands)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

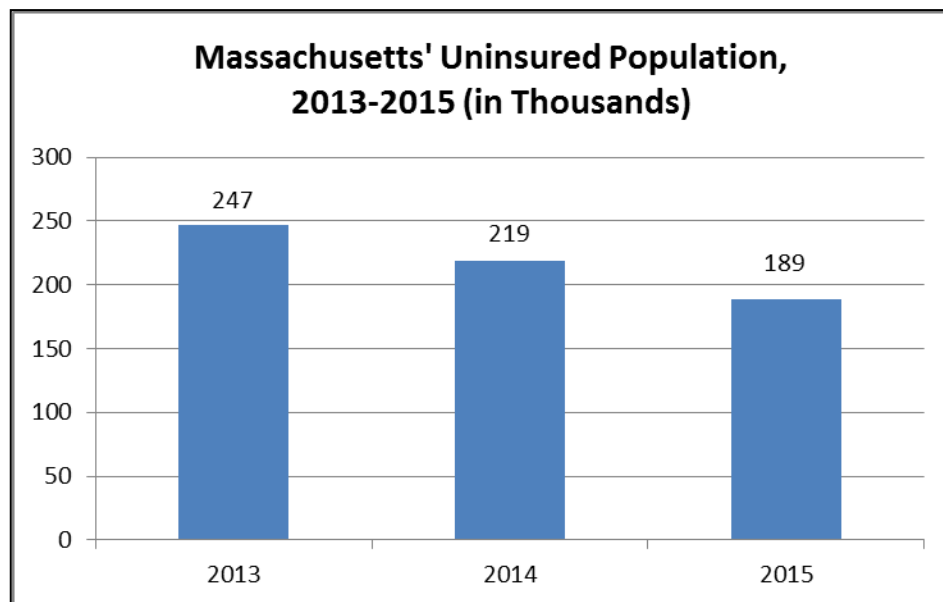
## Massachusetts

Figure 5: Massachusetts Uninsured Rate, 2013-2015 (in thousands)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

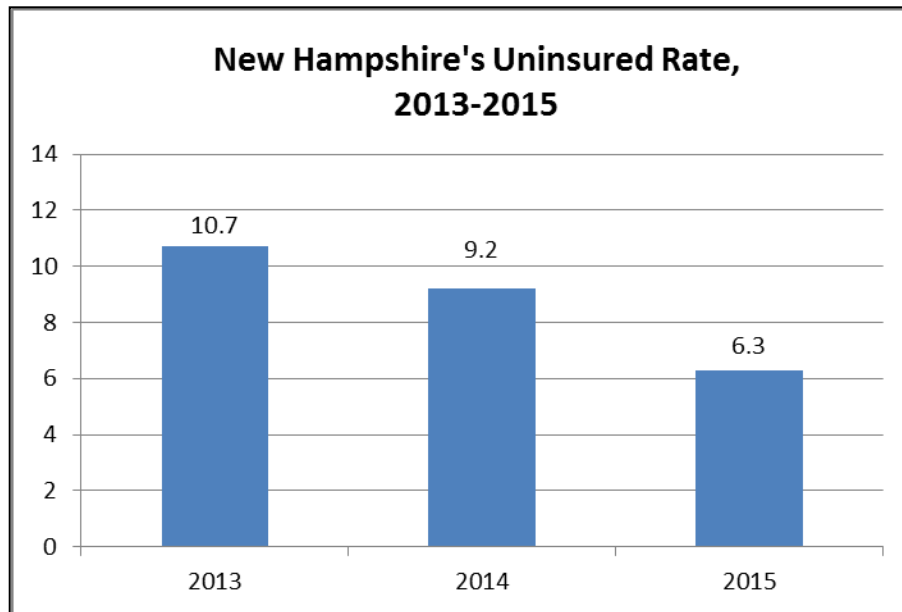
Figure 6: Massachusetts Uninsured Population, 2013-2015 (in thousands)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

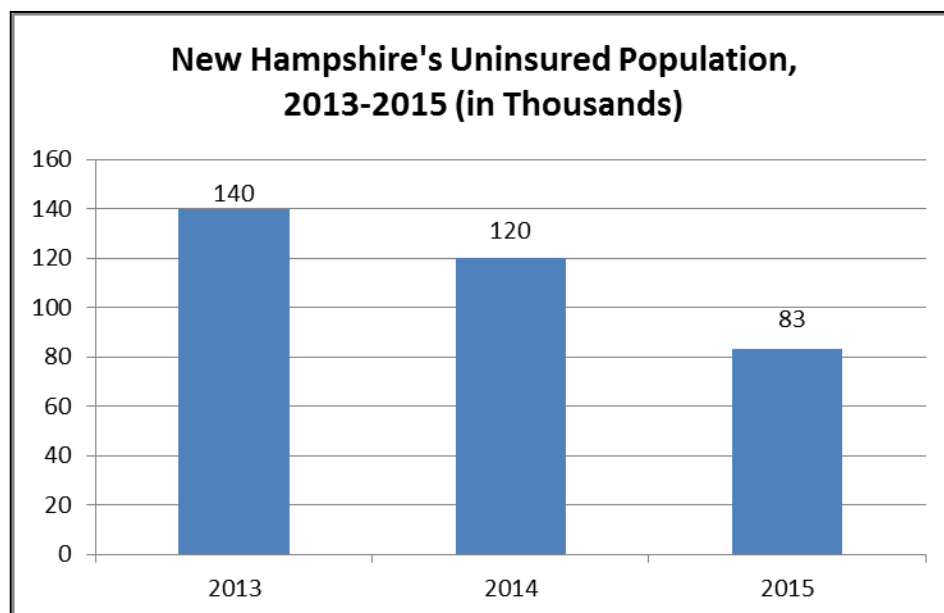
## ***New Hampshire***

**Figure 7: New Hampshire Uninsured Rate, 2013-2015 (in thousands)**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

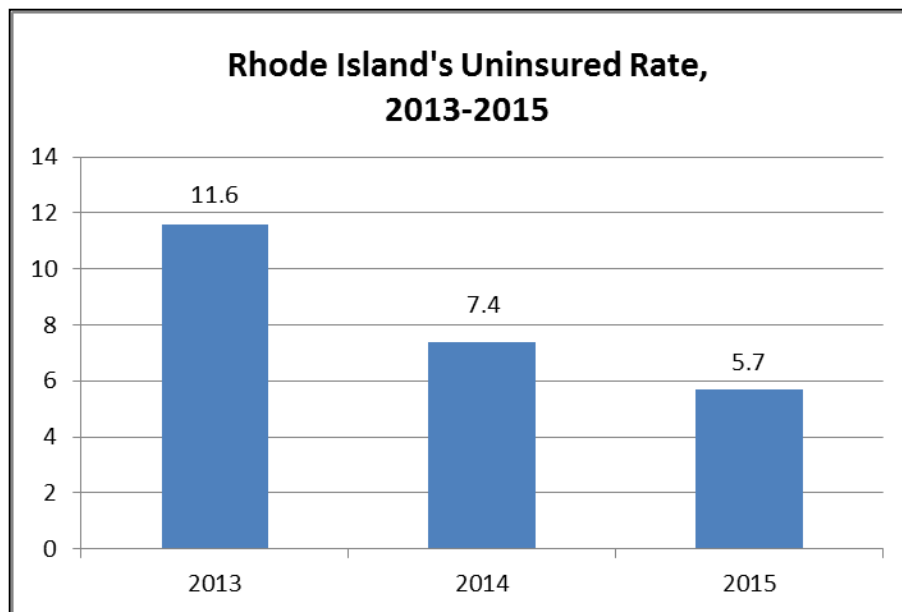
**Figure 8: New Hampshire Uninsured Population, 2013-2015 (in thousands)**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

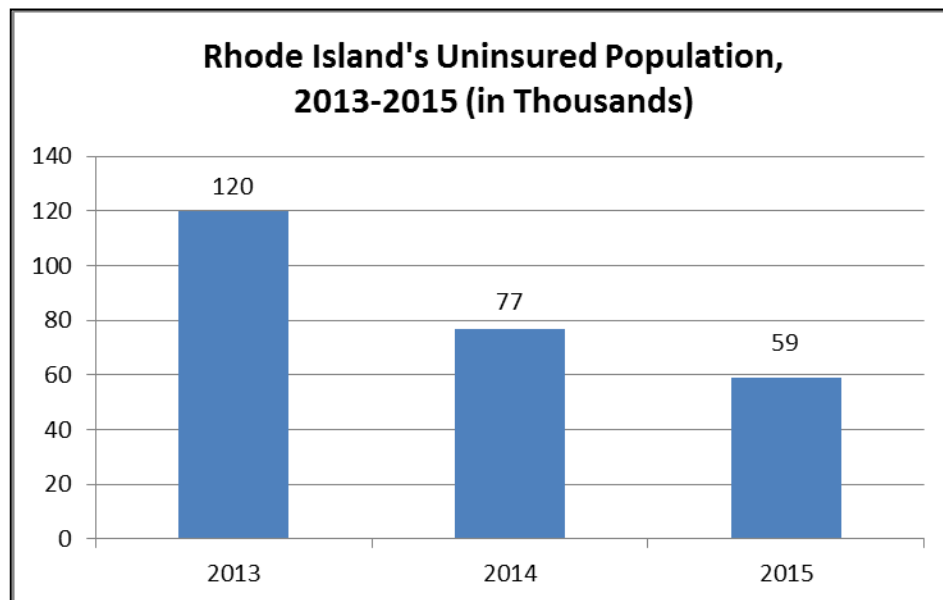
## **Rhode Island**

**Figure 9: Rhode Island Uninsured Rate, 2013-2015 (in thousands)**



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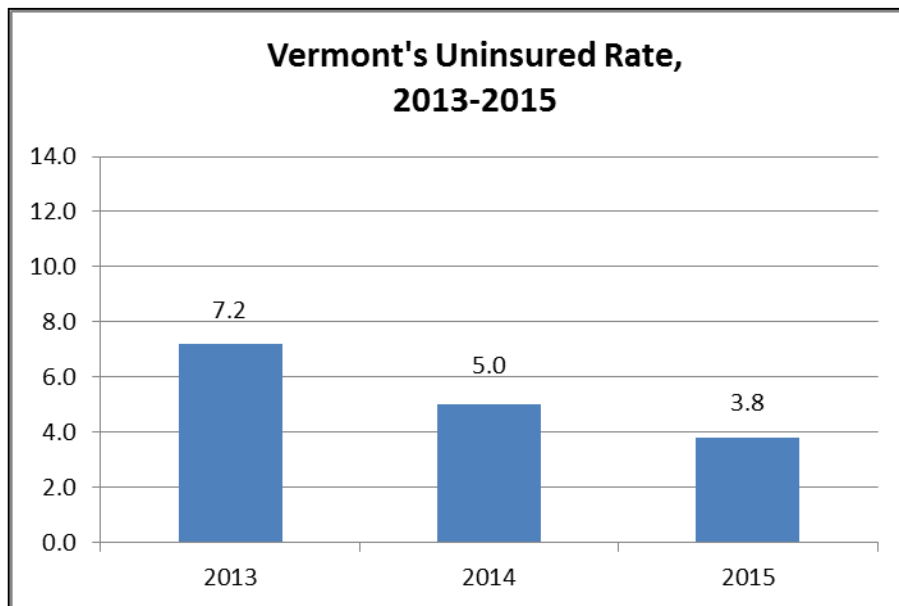
**Figure 10: Rhode Island Uninsured Population, 2013-2015 (in thousands)**



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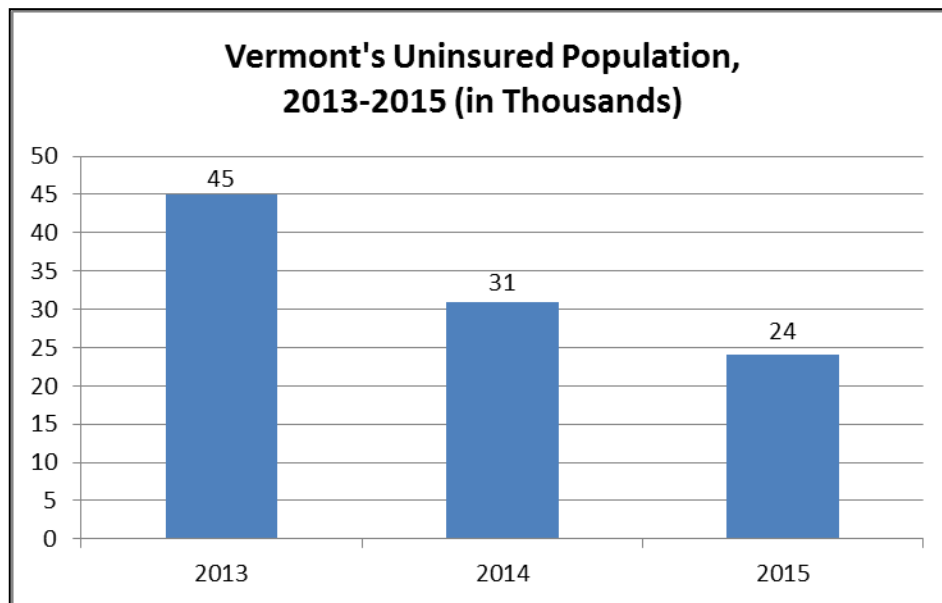
## Vermont

Figure 11: Vermont Uninsured Rate, 2013-2015 (in thousands)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

Figure 12: Vermont Uninsured Population, 2013-2015 (in thousands)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2015*

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